



Regional Service Council Minutes Region 8

Meeting Date: July 17, 2013

Meeting Location: Vigo County DCS
30 N. 8th Street
Terre Haute, IN 47807

Council Members Present: David Uberto, Regional Manager; Katie Edington, Parke County Director; Andrea Williams, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Pamela Connelly, Vigo County Director; Mike Goodwin, Sullivan County Director; Heidi Decker, Clay County Director; Megan Richardson, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Nikki Fuhrmeister, CASA Director

Council Members Absent: Terry Modesitt, Vigo County Prosecutor; Judy Schoffstall, Foster Parent Representative; Judge Dan Kelly, Vigo County Circuit Judge; Bruce Stengel, Vermillion Circuit Judge; Diana Newnum, Vermillion County Director; Diana Thomson, Clay County FCM;

Others in Attendance: Jon Bennett, Children's Bureau; Mary Yelton, LEAAP Center/Clay County Family Literacy; Sheila Johnson, Vigo County DCS; Matt Gooding, Regional Services Coordinator; Ann Hecht, Rain Tree Consulting; Kelly Hunckler, Gibault; Sarah Pierce, Rain Tree Consulting; Zina Shultz, Rain Tree Consulting; Sandy Waldrige, Children's Bureau; Emily Owens, Hamilton Center; Lacey Heaton, Wraparound; Deb Johnson, Lifeline Youth and Family Services; Christina Hall, Family Court Project, Sullivan County; Lindsey Robak, Ireland Home Based Services; Jonathan Straus, Ireland Home Based Services; Kathy Ocampo, Clay and Sullivan County Hamilton Center; Anna Cedars, Family Interventions; Jason Holt, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Heather Anderson, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Jessica Rice, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Mel Burks, Hamilton Center; Ashley Titus, Lifeline Youth and Family Services

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 4:38pm

Dave Uberto welcomed attendees and led the introductions. Minutes were read from the April 24, 2013 meeting. Dave entertained a motion to accept the minutes. Pam Connelly made motion to accept the April 24, 2013 minutes and Katie Edington seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.

Budget Update

Region 8 was 28% over budget for 2012/2013. We started off with less money in our budget for 2012/2013 and our caseload has also increased considerably so being over 28% is consistent with the cases. We hope to have information at the next meeting in October so we will know where we are at with the budget for 2013/2014. Dave stated even though we were over budget it was still a great success due to a good team. Dave would match this region with anyone in the state thank you for everything.

Community Partners/Prevention Services Update

Sandy Waldrige handed out information through July 4 2013; 450 families referred as of 2013.

Jon Bennett handed out information on allocated funds for Region 8 through June 2013.

Jon handed out information on allocated funds for Region 8 through June 2014; reserve at this point is \$1,827.50.

Purple Crying – There was a follow up meeting with DCS today. Billboards should be going up in Region 8 by August 2013.

There will be a two/three day training for providers; be sure to RSVP ASAP because the 30 spots fill quickly. This is not a certified training. This training deals with reactive attachment therapy and trauma informed care. DCS can't attend this training.

Lifeline

Deb Johnson – handed out a packet of information about their programs. They have a new building where they will teach wood working and mechanics.

Biennial Strategic Plan

Matt Gooding – Referrals will now be for two years or until case is closed.

Clay County Family Literacy Program

Mary Yelton – Handed out information through June 2013; 22 families served.

Wraparound

Lacy Heaton - handed out information through June 2013. There have been 17 referrals during this time and they have served 22 families under prevention funds.

Additional Business

Gibault

Kelly Hunckler – handed out a flyer about Trauma Informed Care Training. Tours of Gibault are available following the presentation.

Raintree

Ann Hecht – they need referrals.

Villages

Michele Slater – they are accepting referrals for IL

CASA

Nikki – thanked Megan Richardson for helping with CASA training.

Hamilton Center

Emily Owens – appreciates the monthly staffing they have with Vigo County DCS.

Kathy Ocampo - Sullivan County has a new therapist Lindsey and they have two new case managers have been hired. Clay County staff is stable at this time.

Mel Burks – thanks DCS for allowing Hamilton Center to be community partners.

Ireland Services

Jonathan Straus – they are glad to be a part of the community.

Sullivan County Family Court Project

Christina Hall – asked if they can use funds to help pay for GAL and different services. Hamilton Center helps with some therapeutic services. It is felt that there needs to be a lot more information provided before a decision is made.

DCS

Dave - Introduced Vigo County's new supervisors Jason Holt, Heather Anderson and Jessica Rice.

Dave announced that Diana Joslin, Supervisor from Vigo County retired at the end of June and that the position will be filled.

Mike Goodwin – Sullivan County's Night Out will be held on 8/6/13. If a provider wants to set up a stand let Mike know.

Jessica Rice – There is a growing need for foster homes so if you know of anyone please send them our way. We lack special needs home and homes that can take large sibling groups.

Pam Connelly is grateful for our great service providers and great management team.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at 4:30pm in the second floor training room.